

*Isotope Supply 2002 - 2010*  
University Supply, Accelerator Model

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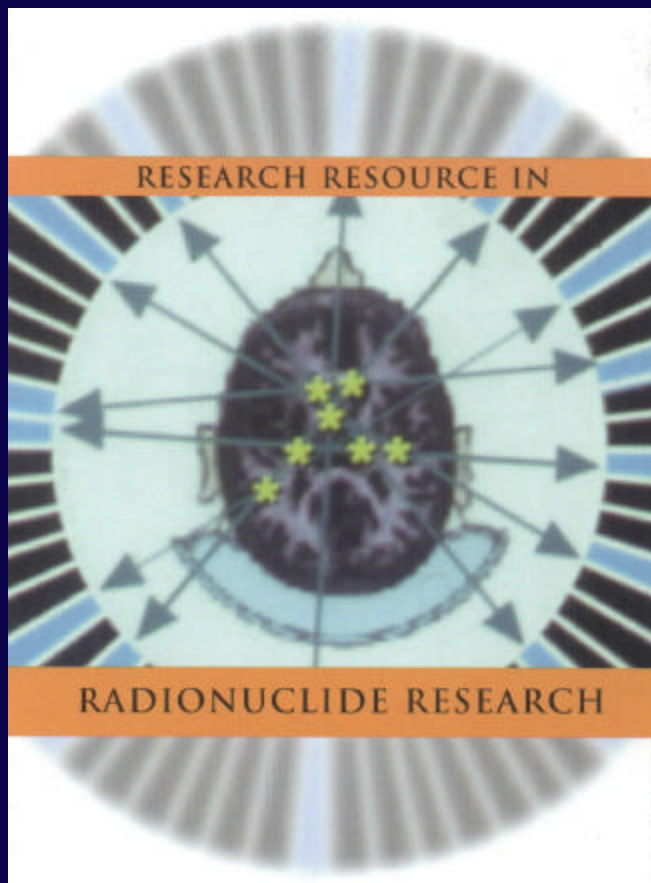
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# NCI Sponsored Research Resource (R24 CA86307)



- Objectives
  - Production and distribution of nonstandard isotopes
    - Service
    - Collaborative
  - Access to WU facilities
    - microPET
      - characteristics of non-standard isotopes

# A Research Resource in Radionuclide Research

- Characteristics of nuclides chosen for production
  - Determination of image quality
  - Determination of purity
- Production
  - Development of target systems
  - Development of purification methods
- Automation
  - Development of automation to improve production quality
  - To reduce personnel exposure

# Nuclides Selected for Production

- Cu-60, Cu-61, Cu-64 - wide range of  $t_{1/2}$

Cu-64 has the potential for diagnosis and therapy

- I-124, Br-76, Br-77 - PET and therapeutic isotopes

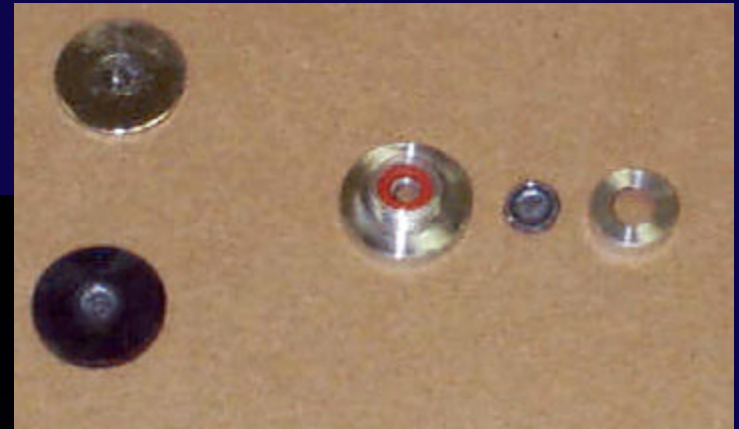
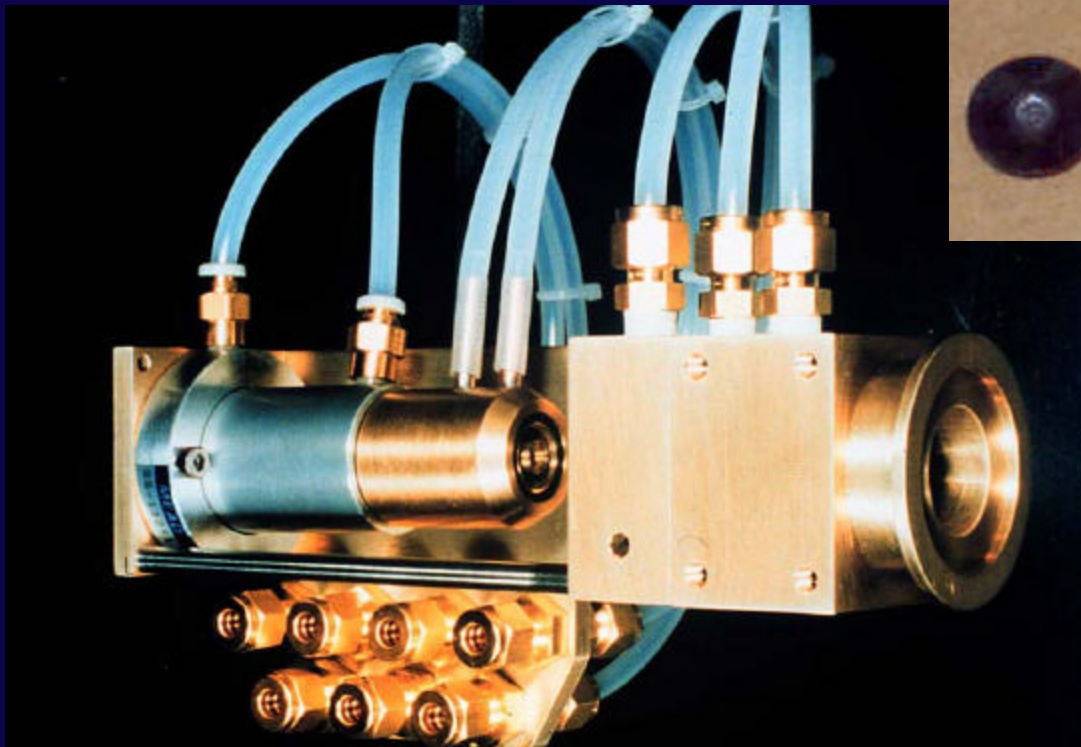
nuclides applicable to a wide range of compounds

- Tc-94m - PET Tc-nuclide
- Ga-66 -  $t_{1/2}$  between Ga-68 and Ga-67
- Y-86 - potentially useful for dosimetry prior to Y-90 therapy

# Characteristics of Nuclides Selected for Production

Isotope	Half-life	Decay modes/ %	Maximum $\beta^+$ energy (MeV)	Reaction	Natural abundance of target isotope
$^{76}\text{Br}$	16.2 h	$\beta^+$ /57.0 EC/43.0	3.98	$^{76}\text{Se}(\text{p},\text{n})$	9.1%
$^{77}\text{Br}$	2.4 d	$\beta^+$ /0.74 EC/99.3	0.36	$^{77}\text{Se}(\text{p},\text{n})$	7.6%
$^{124}\text{I}$	4.18 d	$\beta^+$ /25.0 EC/75.0	2.15	$^{124}\text{Te}(\text{p},\text{n})$	4.8%
$^{86}\text{Y}$	14.74 h	$\beta^+$ /34.0 EC/66.0	3.15	$^{86}\text{Sr}(\text{p},\text{n})$	9.9%
$^{94\text{m}}\text{Tc}$	52.0 m	$\beta^+$ /72.0 EC/28.0	2.47	$^{94}\text{Mo}(\text{p},\text{n})$	9.3%
$^{66}\text{Ga}$	9.49 h	$\beta^+$ /56.5 EC/43.5	4.15	$^{66}\text{Zn}(\text{p},\text{n})$	27.8%
$^{60}\text{Cu}$	23.7 m	$\beta^+$ /93.0 EC/7.0	3.92	$^{60}\text{Ni}(\text{p},\text{n})$	26.1%
$^{61}\text{Cu}$	3.32 h	$\beta^+$ /60.0 EC/7.0	1.22	$^{61}\text{Ni}(\text{p},\text{n})$	1.25%
$^{64}\text{Cu}$	12.7 h	$\beta^+$ /19.0 EC/43.0 $\beta^-$ /38	0.66	$^{64}\text{Ni}(\text{p},\text{n})$	1.16%

# Targetry



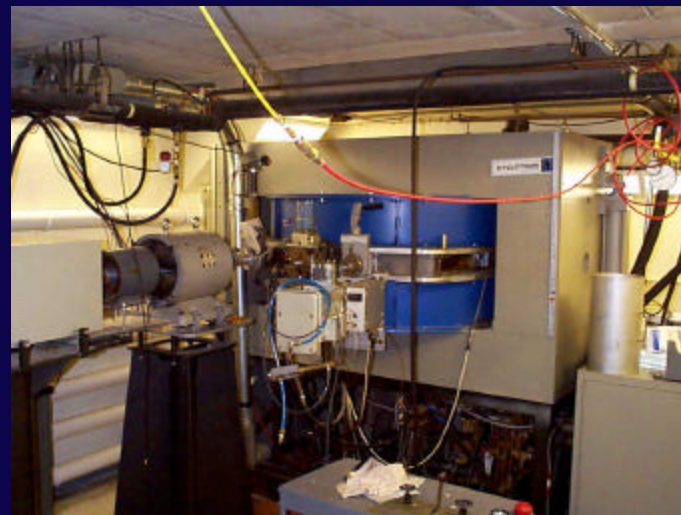
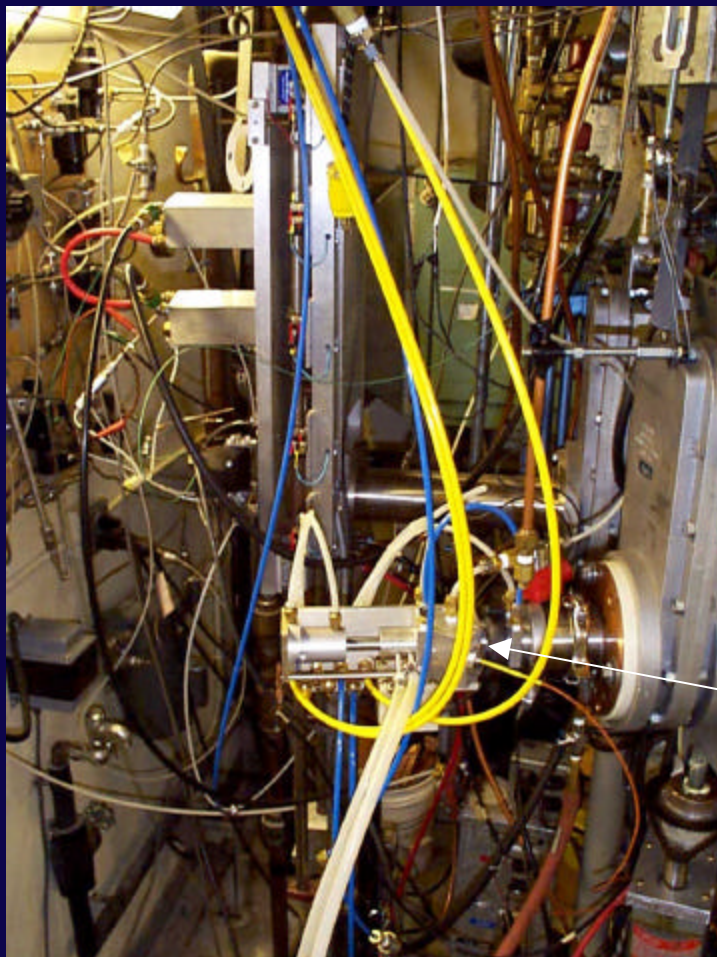
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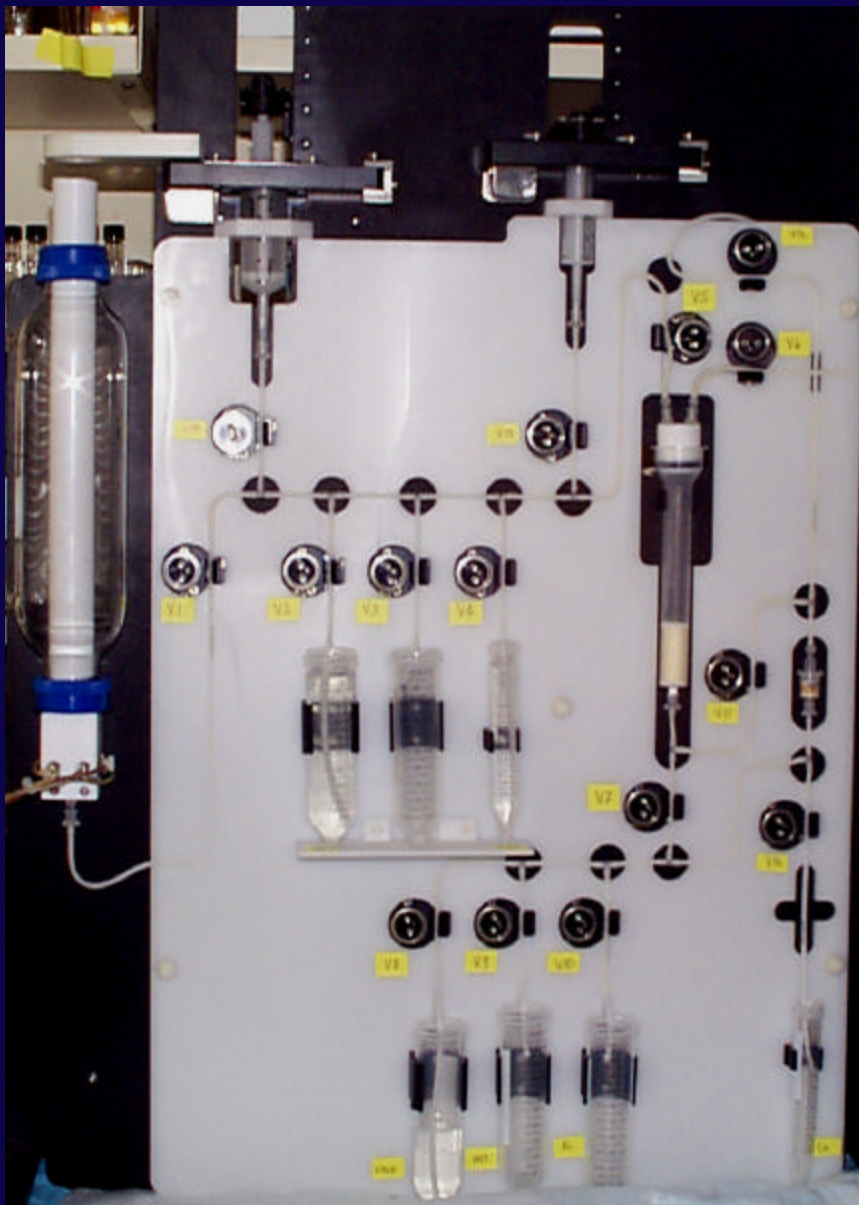
# CS-15 Cyclotron and Target Stations



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## Automated processing system for Cu isotopes

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# Cu-64 Production

year	mCi of Cu-64	# productions
1995	2519	14
1996	4242	29
1997	5626	37
1998	7924	41
1999	10375	35
2000	11867	51
2001	12003	48
2002 (feb)	2121	6
Total	56677	256

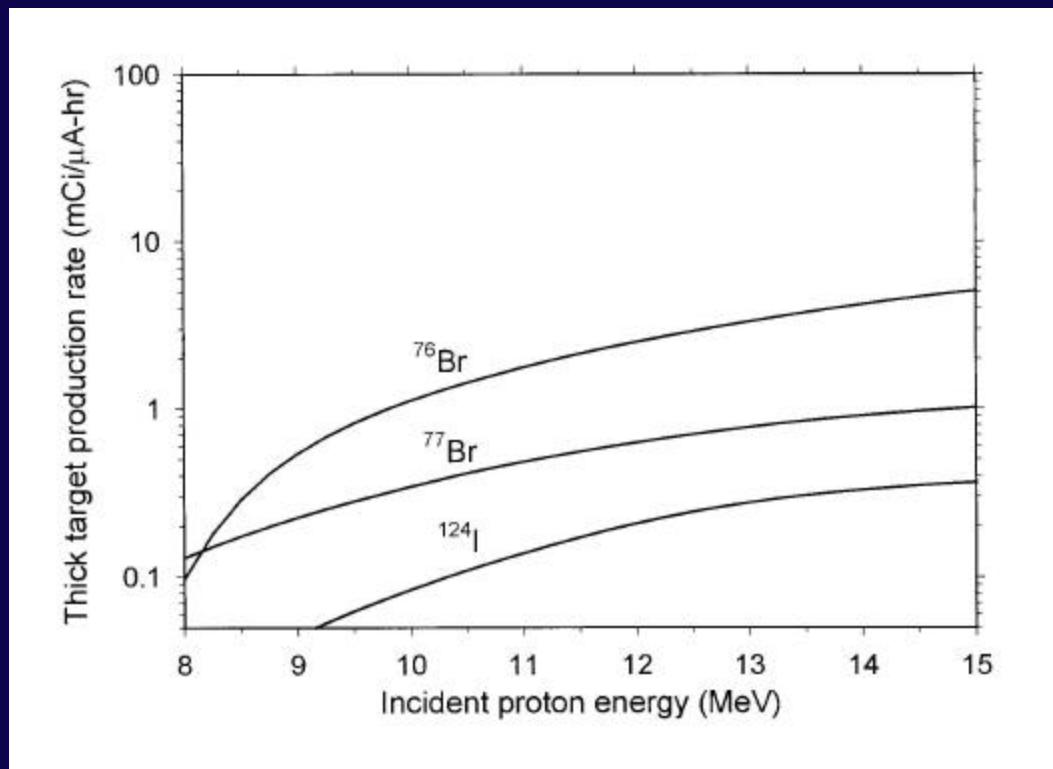
# Production of Cu-60 and Cu-61

	2000		2001		Total	
	# productions	mCi	# productions	mCi	productions (since 1996)	mCi
Cu-60	35	5094	32	4386	121	34466
Cu-61	6	1051	2	443	26	3172

# Bromine & Iodine Isotopes for Imaging and Therapy

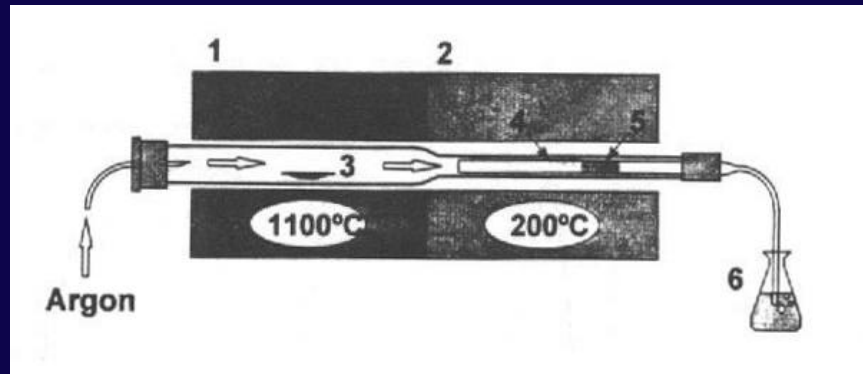
$^{76}\text{Br}$ 16.2 hr	57% $\beta^+$ (18 mm positron range) 43% EC 0.68 Auger $e^-$ /decay	3.98 MeV
$^{77}\text{Br}$ 2.4 d	0.74% $\beta^+$ (0.2 mm positron range) 99.3% EC 0.85 Conversion $e^-$ /decay	0.36 MeV
$^{124}\text{I}$ 4.2 d	25% $\beta^+$ (10 mm positron range) 75% EC 0.713 Auger $e^-$ /decay	2.14 MeV

# Thick Target Production Yields



Calculated from published cross-sections and using SRIM-96 (for proton stopping power in target material)

# Removal of Radioactivity from Target



Dry distillation technique

Tolmachev *et al. Appl. Rad. Isot.* **49**, 1537-1540 (1998)

# Preparation of $\text{Cu}_2^{76}\text{Se}$ , $\text{Cu}_2^{77}\text{Se}$ & $\text{Cu}_2^{124}\text{Te}$

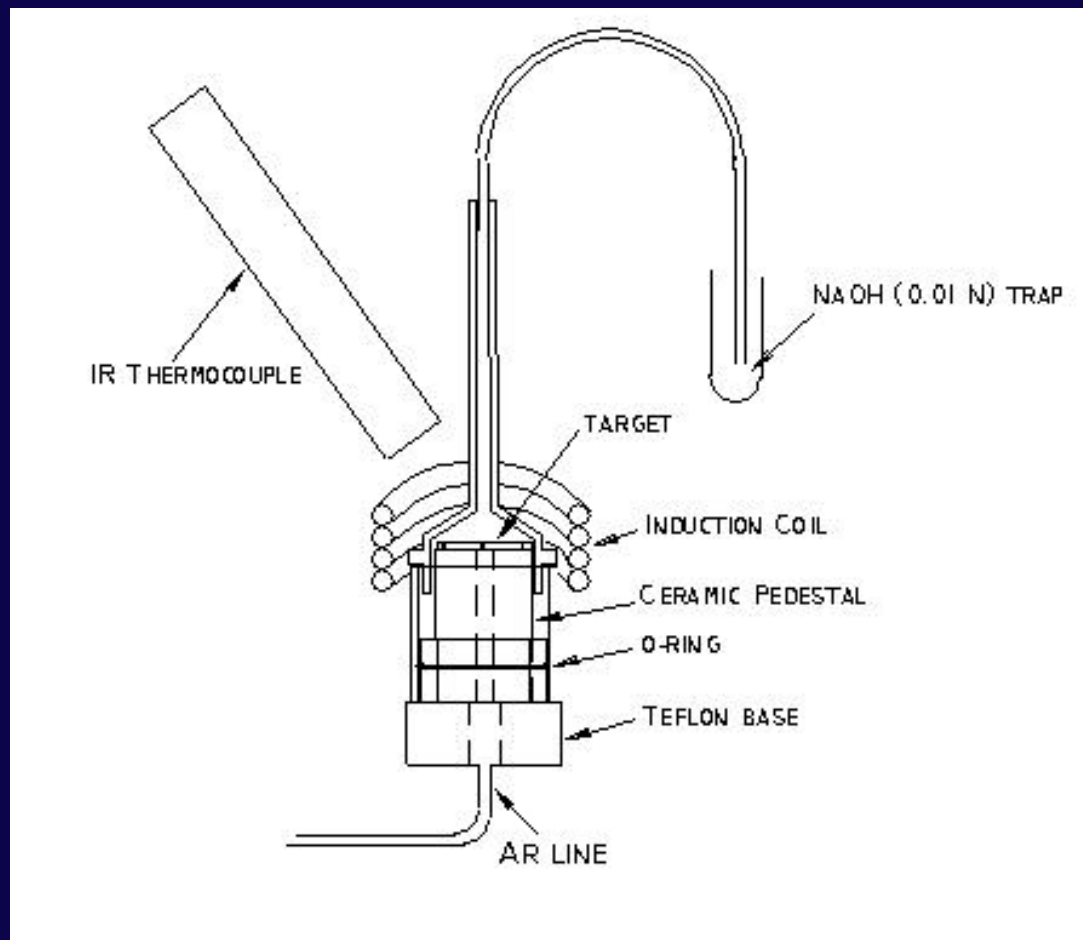


Combined stoichiometric amounts of copper and enriched selenium (or tellurium) in an evacuated quartz ampoule. Heated at 400-500 C for 6-10 days.

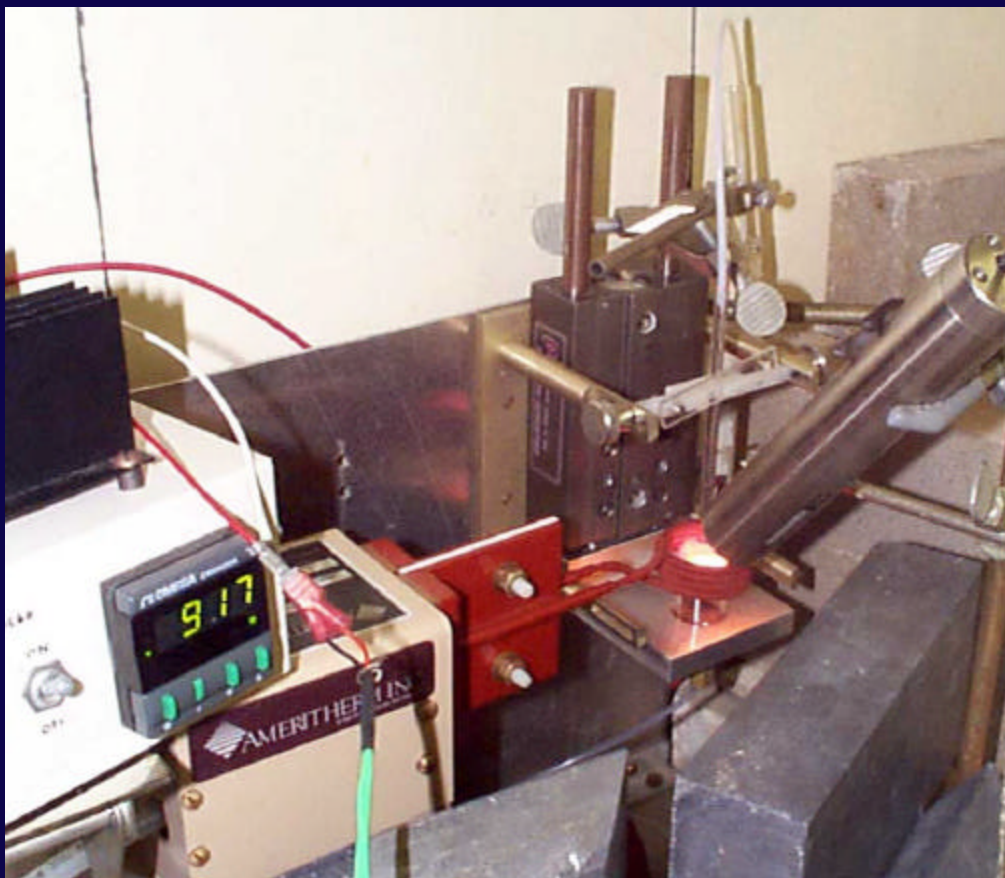
50-60 mg then placed into target depression, pressed and melted.



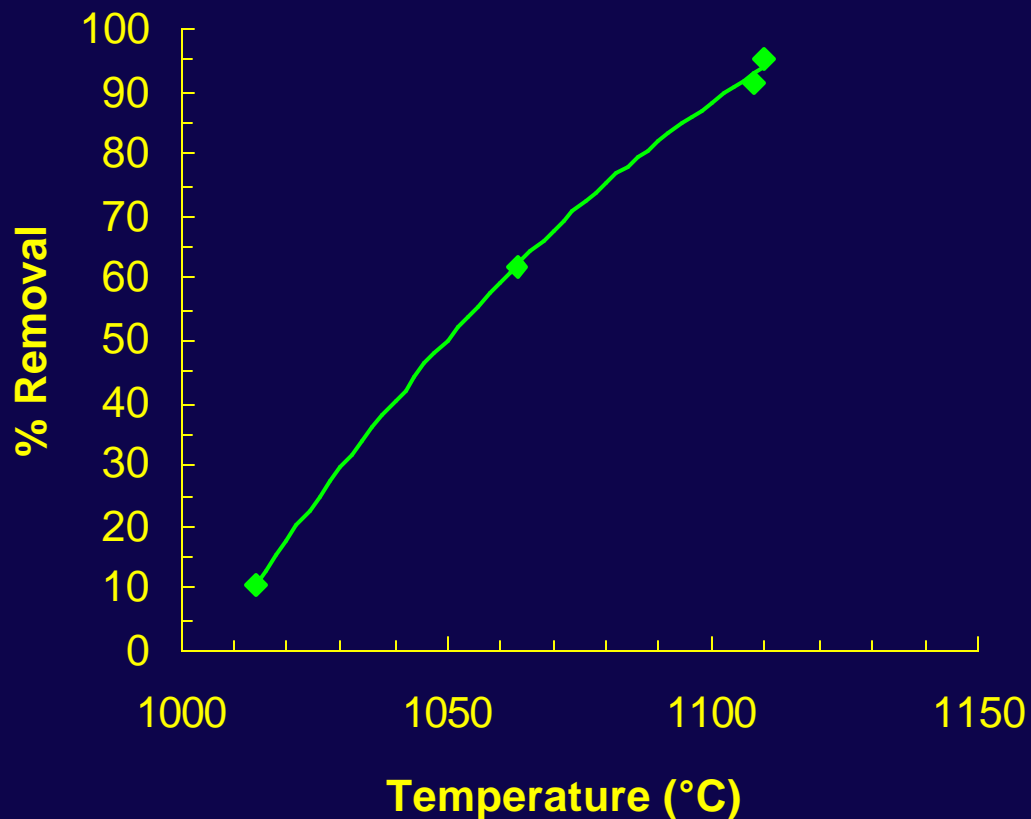
# Washington University Induction Furnace Set-up



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# Recovery as a Function of Temperature



$^{76}\text{Br}$  Activity removal in 10 min distillation - Pt Disk

# Halogen Targetry - Production Yields

Isotope	Production Yield (mCi/mAh)		Thickness (mg/cm <sup>2</sup> )
	Measured	Predicted	
Br-76	2.4	2.5	160
Br-77	0.89	0.94	221
I-124*	0.25	0.26	203

\* beam degraded (to 12.5 MeV) by aluminum foil (0.44mm)

# Shipping

- 12/97 to present: 427 shipments, 257 Limited Quantity (2.4 mCi) and 170 standard (up to 100 mCi). Total activity shipped 6646 mCi
- Activity shipped since RR: 378 shipments, 222 Limited Quantity, 156 standard. Total activity shipped is 5747 mCi.
- Shipped to 19 institutions.
- Inter-institutional contract required for greater than Limited Quantity amounts (10 institutions).
- DOT trained personnel for packaging and shipping (FEDEX).
- Obtained DOT approved packaging material.
- Have shipped limited quantities of  $^{76}\text{Br}$ .

# Shipping (projects)

- Purdue, Mark Green -  $^{64}\text{Cu}$ -labeled folate chelate conjugates. Imaging and therapy of folate receptor positive ovarian carcinomas.
- USDA, Philip Reeves - Effect of dietary Zinc levels on the absorption of Cu. Uptake, transport and mechanism.
- U of Michigan, Dennis Thiele - Structural and functional analysis of eukaryotic copper transporters.
- UAB, Buck Rogers -  $^{64}\text{Cu}$ -labeled bombesin analogue for imaging tumors with gastrin releasing peptide receptors (GRPr).
- CSU, Fullerton, Maria Linder - (1) Delivery of copper to mammary gland and milk and the effects of lactation in rats. (2) Evaluation of Cu binding affinity of rat and human serum macroglobulins.
- Harvard, Alan Packard - Functional imaging of MDR with PET



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- Harvard, Eva Barbarics/Alun Jones-  $^{64}\text{Cu}$ -labeled isonitrile complexes with varying lipophilic character to enhance the tumor-cell accumulation in chemotherapeutically sensitive and resistant human breast-tumor-cell cultures.
- Temple University, Linda Knight - Evaluation of  $^{64}\text{Cu}$ -labeled Bitistatin for targeting integrins in tumor angiogenesis with PET
- UCLA, Sam Gambhir - Ex Vivo cell labeling with  $^{64}\text{Cu}$ -PTSM for imaging cell trafficking in mice with PET
- COH/UCLA, Anna Wu, Sam Gambhir - Copper-64-labeled engineered antibody fragments for PET imaging and therapy
- Fox Chase, Donald Chapman - Preclinical evaluation of azomycin-cyclams as markers of tumor hypoxia and radioresistance

# Washington University Collaborations

- Jonathan Gitlin - Evaluation of the physiological role of copper in neurodegenerative disease
- Jim Wang - In vivo imaging of experimental acute autoimmune uveitis. In vivo imaging of adoptive immunotherapy: the CMS5/DUC18 Tumor ablation Model
- Eduardo Moros/Robert Myerson - Effects of mild hyperthermia on the oxygenation of tumor tissue for the enhancement of tumor sensitivity
- Jason Lewis - Evaluation of  $^{64}\text{Cu}$ -ATSM for radiotherapy
- Carolyn Anderson - Cu-64 labeled antibodies and peptides for therapy
- Steven Weintraub - Role of bcl-x in tumor progression and tumor sensitivity to antineoplastic agents

# Collaborations involving Tc-94m, Br-76, Br-77 and Ga-66

- Purdue, Mark Green - Ga-66 Folate imaging
- Washington University, Yvette Sheline and Mark Mintun - Br-76, I-124 agents to study neurogenesis
- Washington University, David Piwnica-Worms - Tc-94m sestamibi for MDR
- University of Illinois, John Katzenellenbogen - Tc-94m labeled Tricarbonyl organometallics. Br-76, Br-77 and I-124 labeled steroids for imaging and therapy of receptor-positive tumors of the breast and prostate.

## Select Publications

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